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From: "Jody Seitz" ["Jody Seitz" <planner@dillinghamak.us>]
Sent: 7/17/2010 1:23:43 AM
To: Tami Fordham/R10/USEPA/US@EPA
Subject: RE: Administrator Lisa Jackson Visit to Dillingham - Update - Please Respond by Tuesday July 20th

I think since presentations and posters are going to occupy the group for 2 and a half hours out of the a 1/2 hour initial tour - right on landing - might be a good way to start the visit.....take the first half hour.

I don't see the benefit in shifting the pebble presentation to anchorage that morning if it still takes precious time from Bristol Bay. It simply isn't an equality issue. The company is not the same as the individuals and tribes here in Bristol Bay and they have a lot of money and access to legislators and congressmen, and doubtless, agency officials. By doing that you leave a whole 5.25 hours to meet with people here, 4 of which are largely focused on the tribes. Given that they are the primary entities EPA works with that is fine, but the local governments do have their environmental perspective - the city's worries are largely the practical infrastructure issues - water and sewer, septic, wells, and air quality, and local capacity....

Most people here don't get the opportunity to meet with the EPA ever.

I'd do all the industry stuff on one day.

Thanks again for your efforts,

jody

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From: Fordham.Tami@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Fordham.Tami@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 5:03 PM
To: Jody Seitz
Subject: RE: Administrator Lisa Jackson Visit to Dillingham - Update - Please Respond by Tuesday July 20th

Hi Jody,

I am concerned that there isn't time for the tour, if the flight gets in earlier enough or we have time on the way out this might be an option. I can't promise anything but I have it in mind if there is an opportunity. The group decided yesterday to spend the time discussing the environmental issues through presentations, I know it isn't the same as seeing it on the ground but perhaps taking photos and providing a paper is an alternative. Perhaps there is a way for the City to include this information during the environmental program presentations?

The last hour of the day will be a proposed Pebble mine listening session focused on local and regional governments, non profits and other entities. Is the City interested in making a short presentation during this session?

I look forward to meeting you in Dillingham.

Sincerely,

Tami

From: "Jody Seitz" <planner@dillinghamak.us>

To: Tami Fordham/R10/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 07/16/2010 04:21 PM

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Tami - I don't see any opportunity to take the visitors on a quick tour of
our facilities....erosion is a major issue here as well as protection of
our
water quality..(2/3 of the community has both on site wells and
septics).

Thanks.

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Good Afternoon!

The purpose of this visit is for Administrator Jackson and the other EPA Officials to learn more about the Bristol Bay region and to hear local and regional perspectives regarding the proposed Pebble mine. This is a great opportunity to come and meet with the Administrator.

The times listed below have not yet been finalized, but they should be close. If the schedule changes I will let you know. I wanted to send the draft itinerary to you so that if you were planning on traveling to Dillingham you could make those arrangements. Also, please know that Sue Flensburg will be working with tribal environmental coordinators who would like to present a short presentation on their program work, see below for more information.

I am asking that for the closed tribal government meeting that you let me know who will be representing your tribal government, see below for more information.

Please get back to me and/or Sue by Tuesday July 20th. I will need names and titles for all of the people who are planning to meet with the Administrator. Curyung Tribe is also helping to organize the potluck so they would appreciate knowing how many people plan on traveling into Dillingham.

Depart Anchorage 10AM
Arrive Dillingham - LOCATION: Dillingham Middle School (565 Wolverine Lane)

1130AM-1PM - Tribal Environmental Program Successes - this is an opportunity for tribal environmental programs to make brief presentations about their work throughout the region. If you would like to make a presentation please contact Sue Flensburg @ BBNA who will be organizing this session. If your tribe can not send anyone to this meeting and you would like to send information to Sue so that it can be given to the Administrator please contact Sue. Lastly, Sue is available to help with developing posters and the Bristol Bay Campus is willing to print 10 posters. CONTACT: Sue Flensburg no later than Tuesday July 20th if you are interested in presenting, sharing written information, or have any questions.

1PM-2PM - Potluck - Organized by the Curyung Tribe and the Bristol Bay

Native Association

2-330PM - Meeting with Tribal Governments - This meeting is an opportunity for the EPA to hear tribal environmental concerns related to the proposed Pebble project, opportunities for partnership, and not a discussion as to whether or not the project should happen or not. If your tribal government is able to travel to Dillingham please let me know by Monday July 19th. I will need to know who will be the designated representative for your tribal government. If the Tribal Council can not travel and would like to appoint another person in the tribe to represent them please let me know who this person will be, no later than Tuesday July 20th.

330-345 - Break

345PM-445PM - Meeting with local and regional governments, non-profits, or other entities to share their perspectives on the proposed pebble project. Invitations will be sent to those organizations. This is a listening session, not a forum for stating positions on the project. EPA is not managing this as a public hearing, this is an opportunity for EPA to hear first hand from the people in Dillingham and the Bristol Bay region to discuss their environmental concerns, and opportunities for partnership.

5PM - EPA departs Dillingham (back to Anchorage)

EPA folks that will be traveling to Dillingham:

Lisa Jackson, Administrator

Robert Goulding, Staff

Allyn Brooks-LaSure, Press

Michelle DePass, Assistant Administrator-Office of International and Tribal Affairs(OITA)

Shalini Vajjhala, Deputy Assistant Administrator -OITA

Elle Beard, Special Assistant-OITA

Jeff Besougloff, Associate Director, American Indian Environmental Office -OITA

Dennis McLerran, Regional Administrator-Region 10

Marcia Combes, Director, Anchorage Operations Office (AOO)

Tami Fordham, TC, AOO

Patty McGrath, Mining, R10

Water Program Person, R10

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Tami

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Tami Fordham

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